



MEDIA ADVISORY

Who: Canadian Bar Association

What: 31st Annual Law Day

When: Saturday, April 13, 2013 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Where: Calgary Courts Centre (601 - 5 Street S.W.)

Why: Law Day is a **FREE, fun, family-friendly and informative event, promoting access to justice** for those who are curious about the court system, for families who are seeking a **FUN** activity day or students interested in legal work.

New this year is a pilot project with approximately 30 lawyers manning phones, giving free advice to callers and pointing them towards resources to help navigate the legal system. Toll-free number is 1-888-644-8950.

The 31st annual Law Day activities include:

- **Tours of the Court House**, including a state-of-the-art high security courtroom and prisoner cells;
- **Calgary Police Service “Real life” CSI demonstrations;**
- **Fun, interactive demonstration trials** presented by volunteer lawyers and Court House staff, including **“Batman vs. Robin”** and **“Herry Phother & the Potion Master’s Book”**;
- Courts Centre Security **display of confiscated items** including guns, knives, brass knuckles, a belt with a built-in blade, drug paraphernalia, and ninja stars;
- **Stampede’s Ralph the Dog mascot custody trial** (His mom wants him to live with her in Edmonton but his dad wants him to stay in Calgary). Stampede player, John Cornish guest stars!;
- Tours of the Sheriff’s traffic vehicle, prisoner escort van, CheckStop Bus;
- Share the excitement as **75 new Canadians are sworn in at the Citizenship Court;**
- Ask a Lawyer / So You want to be a Judge / Ask a Clerk;
- **Over 50 information booths and exhibits** representing law-related services, including **Canada Border Services with sniffer dog**, Calgary Police Service Victim Assistance and Organized Crime Units, STARS, and Pro Bono Law Alberta.

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